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1. THE PROBLEM OF AN ORDERLY TRANSFER OF POWER WITHIN THE  
LARGE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC-ORIENTED LABOR FEDERATION CISL IS  
ASSUMING INCREASING URGENCY. THOUGH SOME QUESTIONS STILL

PERSIST (SEE ROME 11368), IT IS LIKELY THAT BRUNO STORTI WILL  
SOON REMOVE HIMSELF FROM CISL BECOME PRESIDENT OF THE NAT-  
IONAL COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS AND LABOR (CNEL). THE SUCCESSION  
TO STORTI HIMSELF AS SECRETARY GENERAL PRESENTS NO PROBLEM,  
AT LEAST OVER THE SHORT TERM: DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL  
LUIGI MACARIO IS WELL PRIMED TO TAKE OVER. IN DISFAVOR WITH  
THE DC DURING THE PERIOD OF FANFANI'S LEADERSHIP, MACARIO AT  
PRESENT STANDS QUITE CLOSE TO CURRENT DC SECRETARY ZACCAGNINI.

2. THE PROBLEMS ARISE IN DESIGNATING SUCCESSOR TO MACARIO  
AS DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL. GIVEN THE REMOVAL OF STORTI  
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(WHO COULD NEVER ABIDE ANY STRONG COMPETITORS IN HIS VICIN-

ITY), CHOOSING THE NUMBER TWO MAN IN CISL IS TANTAMOUNT TO THE SELECTION OF THE POST-MACARIO SECRETARY GENERAL.

3. THERE ARE THREE CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD, EACH A NATIONAL SECRETARY OF CISL, EACH WITH PERFECTLY CREDIBLE ASPIRATIONS FOR VICTORY: PIERRE CARNITI, FRANCO MARINI AND MANLIO SPANDONARO.

4. CARNITI IS THE CANDIDATE OF THE CISL LEFT, PARTICULARLY THE INDUSTRIAL UNIONS. SINCE THESE UNIONS CONSTITUTE THE CLASSIC BACKBONE OF A MODERN LABOR MOVEMENT, THE NATURE OF CARNITI'S SUPPORT ASSUMES AN IMPORTANCE GREATER THAN THE MERE PERCENTILE OF OVERALL CISL BACKING WHICH HE MAY ENJOY. MORE A SOCIALIST THAN A CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT -- INDEED, HE STATES HE HAS NEVER BEEN A MEMBER OF THE DC -- CARNITI IS AN ANTI-COMMUNIST OF THE KIND WHOSE OBJECTIONS TO THE PCI DERIVE PRINCIPALLY FROM CRITICISM OF THE PCI'S EXCESSIVE MODERATION. A CISL UNDER CARNITI WOULD PROBABLY RESUME ITS THRUST TOWARD THE UNIFICATION OF ITALY'S THREE MAJOR LABOR CONFEDERATIONS.

5. MARINI REPRESENTS THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC SPIRIT AND TRADITION WITHIN CISL. DURING THE RECENT ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN, HE ACTIVELY IDENTIFIED HIMSELF WITH THE DC AND CAMPAIGNED VIGOROUSLY IN SUPPORT OF THE DC SLATE. VERY CLOSE TO MINISTER OF INDUSTRIES DONAT-CATTIN, WHO IS HEAD OF THE FORZE NUOVE FACTION OF THE DC, MARINI WAS FAIRLY CLOSELY IDENTIFIED WITH CISL MINORITY LEADER VITO SCALIA AT THE 1973 CISL CONGRESS. SINCE THAT TIME, HE HAS MOVED SUCCESSIVELY AWAY FROM SCALIA IN THE REALIZATION THAT SCALIA WAS HEADED TOWARD A SPLIT WITHIN CISL WHICH COULD ONLY CREATE TWO WEAK ORGANIZATIONS RATHER THAN REINFORCING THE ANTI-COMMUNIST ELEMENT IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT. MARINI HAS CHARTED A VERY CAREFUL COURSE WITHIN CISL; HIS ADVANCE HAS BEEN SLOW BUT CERTAIN. HE IS IN GREAT MEASURE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RAPPROCHMENT BETWEEN CISL AND THE DC WHICH HAS REVERSED THE ESTRANGEMENT OF RECENT YEARS.

6. SPANDONARO IS A STORTI LOYALIST. WHEREAS MARINI'S SUPPORT DERIVES FROM THE UNIONS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR, AND CARNITI'S FROM THE INDUSTRIAL UNIONS, SPANDONARO'S SJK LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IS IN HIS LACK OF IDENTIFICATION WITH ANY DISTINCT LABOR SECTOR, AND IN THE CONTINUITY WHICH HIS CLOSE IDENTIFICATION WITH STORTI REPRESENTS. WHILE HE WOULD NOT BE A NEUTRAL PERSONALITY AS DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, HE WOULD CREATE THE LEAST PROBLEMS FOR, AND PRESUMABLY REPRESENT THE LEAST THREAT TO, MACARIO.

7. CARNITI AND MARINI REPRESENT THE POLES WITHIN CISL (AL-

THOUGH THEY ARE PERSONALLY FRIENDLY). CARNITI, HIGHLY DYNAMIC AND DEDICATED, PERSONIFIES THE NEW-LEFT ANIMUS IN CISL WHICH HAS DRAWN MANY EXTRA-PARLIAMENTARIANS INTO THE ORGANIZATION. MANY OF THEM HAVE ASSUMED LESSER OFFICE IN THE CISL APPARATUS, PARTICULARLY IN THE NORTH, OFTEN LEADING CISL TO POSITIONS WELL TO THE LEFT OF THE CGIL AND THE COMMUNISTS. THIS FACTION SUFFERED SOMETHING OF A REVERSE IN THE RECENT NATIONAL ELECTIONS PURSUANT TO THE INDIFFERENT SHOWING OF THE SMALL FAR LEFT PARTIES. MARINI, VERY CAPABLE, HIGHLY PRESENTABLE AND REFLECTIVE, REPRESENTS THE TRADITIONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY, A RELATIONSHIP WHICH IN THE PAST HAS NURTURED BOTH ORGANIZATIONS IN BUILDING ITALY'S POST-WAR DEMOCRACY. THE SELECTION OF EITHER OF THESE TWO CANDIDATES COULD CREATE CONSIDERABLE DISPLEASURE IN THE OTHER'S CAMP, AND A SERIOUS RIFT IN CISL RANKS COULD ENSUE. AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, SPANDONARO'S CANDIDACY ASSUMES INCREASING VIABILITY. VOLPE

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